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TAGS:CGEN, ENRG, BD

SUBJECT:REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON BUTTERFIELD BANK ACCOUNT

REF: HAMILTON 343

1. GOB RESPONSE (HAMILTON 343) AND LIMITED DOCUMENTATION
PROVIDED BEING RELAYED TO HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTI-
GATIONS.

2. AS POST UNDOUBTEDLY RECOGNIZES, THIS TYPE OF PUBLICLY
AVAILABLE INFORMATION IS OF VERY LIMITED VALUE TO THE
COMMITTEE OR TO THE CONCERNED EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCIES.

3. DEPARTMENT IS AWARE OF THE EXISTENCE OF BERMUDIAN
BANK SECRECY LEGISLATION REFERRED TO IN PARA. 3 OF
HAMILTON 343, BUT DOES NOT HAVE A COPY. COMPARABLE
LEGISLATION IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS SOMETIMES PROVIDES
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FOR WAIVER OF SECRECY REQUIREMENTS BY GOVERNMENTAL
AUTHORITIES. WE ALSO HAVE IMPRESSION (ALTHOUGH WE CANNOT
CITE SPECIFIC CASES) THAT IN THE PAST ACCESS TO BANK
RECORDS HAS BEEN PERMITTED IN SOME CIRCUMSTANCES NOT
INVOLVING BERMUDIAN COURT ORDERS. DEPARTMENT THEREFORE

REQUESTS POST ASSESSMENT OF ANY POSSIBLE FURTHER STEPS

WHICH MIGHT BE TAKEN TO SECURE INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE COMMITTEE. IN PARTICULAR, DOES POST BELIEVE THAT ANY FURTHER APPROACH TO GOB STRESSING INTENSE CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST IN THIS MATERIAL WOULD BE PRODUCTIVE? CAN BANK SECRECY LAWS BE WAIVED BY GOB AUTHORITIES, AND IF SO, UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES? WHAT HAS BEEN GOB'S PAST PRACTICE CONCERNING ANY SUCH WAIVER?

4. WE ANTICIPATE CONGRESSIONAL REQUESTS FOR FURTHER EFFORTS TO ENLIST BERMUDIAN COOPERATION, AND INTEREST OF EXECUTIVE BRANCH AGENCIES IN THIS INFORMATION REMAINS UNABATED. ACCORDINGLY, ANY INFORMATION OR SUGGESTIONS POST CAN PROVIDE WILL BE APPRECIATED. CHRISTOPHER

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